

Comprehensible Input

Identify how frequently you integrate each of the following comprehensible input techniques. Write your response in front of the bullet using the following code:

D = Daily O = Occasionally N = Never

Appropriate Speech

- Use expression and body language.
- Speak slowly and clearly.
- Avoid jargon and idiomatic speech as much as possible.
- Use more pauses between phrases.
- Use shorter sentences with simpler syntax.
- Create a supportive learning environment.

Clear Explanation of Tasks

- Present instructions in a step-by-step manner and/or with demonstrations.
- Write oral directions on board.
- Ask students to re-explain.
- Use peer modeling.
- Repeat and restate concepts to clarify meaning when necessary.

Variety of Techniques

- Modeling/Think-Alouds
- Visuals and/or Realia
- Hands-on and Performance-Based Activities
- Total Physical Response (TPR)
- Demonstrations
- Gestures/Body Language
- Graphic Organizers
- Cooperative Learning Activities
- Learning Styles and Multiple Intelligences

Variety of Techniques—Text Adaptation

- Highlight or underline key ideas
- Summarized texts
- Taped texts
- Framed outline or cloze notes
- Alternate materials (consider using Lexile levels)